

STATE OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

FINAL ESTIMATE OF ACREAGE SOWN, SEASON 1930-31.

Wheat 4500,000 acres increase 512,690 acres.

On the 16th July a preliminary estimate of the areas sown for the Season 1930-31 was published.

Since then the whole of the District Reports have been reviewed and further final returns have been received from many farmers. As a result the earlier estimate has been increased for WHEAT by 56,000 acres, OATS 13,000 acres and decreased for BARLEY by 8,000 acres.

PRESENT PROSPECTS.— The crops generally AT THE CLOSE OF AUGUST were GOOD to VERY GOOD for the whole State with some minor Districts in the UPPER NORTH as LESS than GOOD.

With the substantial increase in wheat acreage, 500,000 acres, if only the average of the past 10 years ($10\frac{3}{4}$ Bush. per acre) is reaped — an aggregate yield of well over 44,000,000 Bushels would result.

DIVISION	WHEAT	BARLEY	OATS	GRAND TOTAL		Prepared for 1930-31	
				1930-31	1929-30	Fallowed	Cleared for Ploughing
CENTRAL	700,000	189,000	105,000	994,000	959,269	525,933	12,837
LOWER NORTH	925,000	46,500	60,000	1,031,500	1,019,486	698,268	3,251
UPPER NORTH	340,000	1,500	2,000	343,500	286,000	198,905	2,111
SOUTH EASTERN	70,000	12,000	48,000	130,000	121,349	27,846	9,954
WESTERN	1,270,000	12,000	138,000	1,420,000	1,235,232	331,386	225,782
MURRAY MALLEE	1,195,000	14,000	172,000	1,381,000	1,206,525	413,383	138,233
TOTAL 1930-31	4,500,000	275,000	525,000	5,300,000	4,827,861	2,195,721	392,168
GRAND TOTAL 1929-30	3,987,310	320,123	520,428	4,827,861		2,199,231	427,666
INCREASE OR DECREASE	512,690	-45,123	4,572	472,139		-3,510	-35,498

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